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MARNI INTERNATIONAL SA.,)	
LUXEMBOURG, PAZZALLO BRANCH)	
)	ANSWER TO
Opposer,)	NOTICE OF OPPOSITION
)	Ser. No. 75/895,386
vs.)	Mark: MARNA & Design
)	
MARNA B. HILL,)	
)	
Applicant)	
**)	
)	Opp. No.: 91169251

Commissioner for Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1451

Attorney's Reference: HILL 1.1

Dear Sir

Pursuant to Trademark Rule 2.106, and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Marna B. Hill, Applicant in this Opposition ("Applicant") answers the Notice of Opposition of Opposer in Serial No. 75/895,386 which has become the subject of Opposition No. 91169251 and hereby answers the same.

This Answer to the Notice of Opposition is timely filed as the Notice of Opposition was mailed on February 18, 2006 and this Answer is due on March 30, 2006.

Applicant responds to the allegations in the Notice of Opposition as follows:

 In response to paragraph 1, Applicant admits that it filed Application No. 75/895,386 for MARNI and Design and admits that registration is sought for:
 Leather shopping bags, travel bags, umbrellas, and luggage, in International Class 18; furniture, mirrors, picture frames; wood goods, namely, wood figurines, boxes and carvings;

wicker goods, namely, wicker furniture; plastic goods, namely, plastic crates and figurines, in

International Class 20:

Household and kitchen utensils, namely, pot and pan scrapes, rolling pins, spatulas, turners

and whisks; beverage glassware; ceramic and porcelain bowls, plates, vases, mugs and

statues; wicker goods, namely, wicker baskets, in International Class 21;

Textile goods, namely, textile napkins, place mats and wall hangings; bed and tabletop linens,

in International Class 24;

Clothing, namely, shirts, pants and shorts; footwear and headwear, in International Class 25;

and

Vinyl floor coverings, carpet, rugs; wall hangings, not of textile, in International Class 27.

2. In response to paragraph 2, Applicant denies each and every allegation.

In response to paragraph 3, Applicant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form 3.

a belief as to the truth of the allegations in this paragraph, and on that ground, denies them.

4. In response to paragraph 4, Applicant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form

a belief as to the truth of the allegations in this paragraph, and on that ground, denies them.

5. In response to paragraph 5, Applicant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form

a belief as to the truth of the allegations in this paragraph, and on that ground, denies them.

6. In response to paragraph 6, Applicant is without knowledge or information sufficient to form

a belief as to the truth of the allegations in this paragraph, and on that ground, denies them.

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7. In response to paragraph 7, Applicant denies each and every allegation.

8. In response to paragraph 8, Applicant denies each and every allegation.

9. In response to paragraph 9, Applicant denies each and every allegation.

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10. In response to paragraph 10, Applicant denies each and every allegation.

Wherefore, Applicant prays that this Opposition be dismissed and that the Certificate of Registration for the MARNA and Design mark be issued.

Dated: March 23, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

MARNA B. HILL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL

This is to certify that one copy of the foregoing ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION was mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to Opposer's counsel:

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Signed: Ginger McCormick

Dated: March 23, 2006